

ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD

MINUTES OF March 28, 2012

Item No. 1. being:

ROLL CALL

The Environmental Control Advisory Board of the City of Norman, Cleveland County, State of Oklahoma, met in Regular Session at the City of Norman, in the Multipurpose Room, Norman Municipal Building, 201 West Gray Street on March 28, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. Notice and Agenda of the meeting were posted at the Norman Municipal Building at 201 West Gray 24 hours prior to the beginning of the meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Amanda Nairn (Chair)
Darren Alexander (left at 6:50 p.m.)
Linda Goeringer (left at 6:40 p.m.)
Aaron Pilat
Charles Sever

MEMBERS ABSENT

Holly Armstrong
James Greer
James Harp
Marc Jensen

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Debbie Smith, Environmental Svcs. Coordinator
Charlie Thomas, Capital Projects Engineer

Item No. 2 being:

INTRODUCE GUESTS

GUESTS PRESENT

Chris Ward, Cleveland County Conservation District

Item No. 3 being:

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 18, 2012 MEETING

Amanda Nairn asked if there were any corrections to the January 18, 2012 minutes. There being none, Linda Goeringer made a motion to approve the January 18, 2012 minutes. Charles Sever seconded. There being no further discussion, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS

Amanda Nairn
Darren Alexander
Linda Goeringer
Aaron Pilat
Charles Sever

NAYS

None

The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0.

Item No. 4 being:

INTRODUCE NEW ECAB MEMBERS HOLLY ARMSTRONG AND AARON PILAT

Holly Armstrong was not present. Aaron Pilat stated he is an Architect and has lived in Norman a year and a half.

Item No. 5 being:

DISCUSS PUBLIC EDUCATION ON FERTILIZER USE

- **REVIEW FERTILIZER USE SURVEY FORM**

Charles Sever made a motion to approve the fertilizer use survey. Linda Goeringer seconded the motion. Linda Goeringer said she liked it because it was not threatening or judgmental. It was also easy for everyone to understand. Discussion was held to determine the best way to distribute this. The survey will be used at the Earth Day Festival and future distribution will be determined by Amanda Nairn. Debbie Smith and Amanda Nairn will meet with an individual from the University of Oklahoma to determine the best way for distribution. There being no further discussion, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS	Amanda Nairn, Chair Darren Alexander Linda Goeringer Aaron Pilat Charles Sever
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NAYS	None
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The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0.

Item No. 6 being:

DISCUSS FERTILIZER BROCHURE

- **REVIEW FERTILIZER BROCHURE**

Amanda Nairn stated the brochure would be passed out at the Earth Day Festival. Charles Sever suggested some changes. Several minor changes will be made and forwarded to Chris Ward. Chris Ward with the Cleveland County Conservation District put this together. Aaron Pilat made a motion to approve the fertilizer brochure with the changes discussed giving Amanda Nairn authority for final approval. Charles Sever seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, a vote was taken with the following result;

YEAS	Amanda Nairn, Chair Darren Alexander Linda Goeringer Aaron Pilat Charles Sever
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NAYS	None
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The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0.

Item No. 7 being:

DISCUSS WATER CONSERVATION PUBLIC EDUCATION

Charles Sever offered to do research on this. Amanda Nairn asked the group what they would like to address and what their understanding of what it should be. Members stated it should focus on using less water at home. This could include rainwater harvesting, the Water Conservation Plan information, Gray Water Ordinance, and landscaping. Amanda Nairn asked if the "Make Every Drop Count" flyer could be printed and used for distribution at Earth Day. Debbie Smith will check to see if the City still has any of the "Make Every Drop Count" yard signs and if they do she will bring them to Earth Day.

Item No. 8 being:

DISCUSS EARTH DAY FESTIVAL

This item was discussed after Item no. 9 because one of the members needed to leave and a quorum was needed to vote on item no. 9. There is no longer a quorum.

ECAB will have the fertilizer survey and brochure at the festival. Darren Alexander suggested bringing an aerator and fertilizer spreader to the festival to have on display. The ECAB booth will be shared with the Environmental Services table. Amanda Nairn will send out an email requesting sign-up times from the members and what yard equipment they can bring. Debbie Smith suggested bringing chairs. A table and two chairs will be provided. The placemats that Charles Sever acquired from the EPA and the soil testing bags will also be distributed. Charles Sever will send John Deere's contact information to Debbie Smith so they can be invited to the Earth Day Festival.

Item No. 9 being:

REVIEW LETTER RECOMMENDING USE OF RECYCLED ASPHALT SHINGLES (RAS) IN THE ROAD MIX IN NORMAN AND IF APPROVED, FORWARD THE LETTER TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

The letter was written by Dave Boeck, former ECAB member. It was sent to the group in January but since there was not a quorum in February it was not voted on. Charles Sever made a motion to approve the letter and forward it to the Mayor and Council. Aaron Pilat seconded. There being no further discussion, a vote was taken with the following result;

YEAS	Amanda Nairn, Chair Darren Alexander Linda Goeringer Aaron Pilat Charles Sever
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NAYS	None
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The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0.

Item No. 10 being:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Community Development Block Grant Committee (C. Sever and L. Goeringer) – Charles Sever attended the meeting. There was enough money for about 65% of the requests. Two groups requested money for electric bills. He talked to them and suggested they get advice on insulation so they could reduce their bills. Charles was asked to send a letter with his recommendation on how the money should be distributed. He will send the letter to the board.

2. Green Team (D. Smith) – no report

Item No. 11 being:

MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION

Karleene Smith came at 5:40 and left a letter for the Board encouraging input for their work as Blue Thumb. (attached)

Charles created a brochure on "Best Management Practices for Reducing Phosphate Content in Stormwater Runoff into Lake Thunderbird from Agricultural Sources". It is targeting the information that could be given to John Deere for distribution. Debbie Smith mentioned that anything that is being presented as an ECAB brochure needs to receive approval from ECAB members prior to distribution. Chris Ward stated since this quoted the USDA several times the local NRCS would want to approve this. The NRCS is a branch of the USDA. This will be discussed at a future ECAB meeting.

Debbie Smith mentioned the household hazardous waste collection event will be held April 14, 2012.

Item No. 12 being:

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

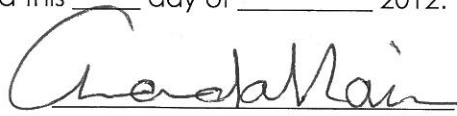
None

Item No. 13 being:

ADJOURNMENT

Due to a member leaving there was no longer a quorum and the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Passed and approved this _____ day of _____ 2012.


Chair, Amanda Nairn